

Abstract

The present invention relates to an image forming and reading apparatus comprising: image forming means for forming an image on a fed recording sheet; and image reading means for reading the image of a fed document, wherein at least a portion of the feeding path of the recording sheet is common to at least a portion of the feeding path of the document, and the image reading means can be set to a first position evacuated from the common feeding path and to a second position at which the image of the document that is fed through the common feeding path is read, and a reading position at which the image is read by the image reading means is located downstream of the image forming means in a recording sheet feeding direction.